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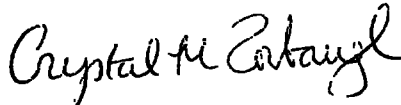
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Re: *Norfolk Southern Railway Company Discontinuance of Service Exemption – In Forsyth County, NC*, STB Docket No. AB-290 (Sub-No. 333X)

Dear Ms. Brown:

On September 30, 2011, we submitted on behalf of Norfolk Southern Railway Company a discontinuance of service notice of exemption in the above-captioned proceeding. Included in the notice filing was a certificate of publication in compliance with 49 C.F.R. § 1105.12, which governs publication of a newspaper notice. At the time of the filing, we had not yet received an affidavit of publication from the Winston-Salem Journal, and therefore could not include that affidavit as part of the notice filing. We recently received the aforementioned affidavit of publication from the Winston-Salem Journal, which further establishes our compliance with the section 1105.12 requirements in this proceeding. Accordingly, please find enclosed for your records the affidavit of publication.

Sincerely,



Crystal M. Zorbaugh
Legal Assistant

Winston-Salem Journal

Advertising Affidavit

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NOTICE OF INTENT TO DISCONTINUE RAIL SERVICE

STB DOCKET NO. AB-290 (Sub-No. 333X)

Norfolk Southern Railway Company ("NSR") gives notice that on or about September 30, 2011, it intends to file with the Surface Transportation Board, Washington, DC 20423, a notice of exemption under 49 C.F.R. Part 1152 Subpart F - *Exempt Abandonments and Discontinuances of Service and Trackage Rights* permitting it to discontinue common carrier service on a 10.0-mile line of railroad in Forsyth County, NC, extending from milepost L-0.0 (near Trade Street in Winston-Salem, NC), to milepost L-10.0 (near the intersection of Hampton Road and Idols Road in Clemmons, NC). The subject rail line traverses United States Postal Service ZIP Code territories 27012, 27101, 27103, 27104, 27105, and 27127. The proceeding will be docketed as STB Docket No. AB-290 (Sub-No. 333X).

The proposed action entails the discontinuance of rail common carrier service over the subject rail line, but not abandonment. Accordingly, no environmental and/or historic reports will be prepared as part of this proceeding.

Appropriate offers of financial assistance to subsidize continued rail service can be filed with the Board. An original and 10 copies of any pleading pertaining to offers of financial assistance or responding generally to the proposed discontinuance of service must be filed directly with the Board's Section of Administration, Office of Proceedings, 395 E Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20423 [See 49 C.F.R. §§ 1104.1(a) and 1104.3(a)], and one copy must be served on NSR's representative [See 49 C.F.R. § 1104.12(a)]. Questions regarding offers of financial assistance may be directed to the Board's Office of Public Assistance, Governmental Affairs, and Compliance at 202-245-0230. Copies of any comments or requests for specific Board action should be served on NSR's representative: Robert A. Wimbish, BAKER & MILLER PLLC, 2401 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W., #300, Washington, DC 20037; phone: 202-663-7824; fax 202-663-7849.

WSJ: September 28, 2011

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Forsyth County

Before the undersigned, a Notary Public of Forsyth County, North Carolina, duly commissioned, qualified, and authorized by law to administer oaths, personally appeared S. A. Bragman, who by being duly sworn deposes and says that she is the Assistant Controller of the Winston-Salem Journal, engaged in the publishing of a newspaper known as Winston-Salem Journal, published, issued and entered as second class mail in the City of Winston-Salem, in said County and State that she is authorized to make this affidavit and sworn statement, that the notice or other legal advertisement, a true copy of which is attached hereto, was published in the Winston-Salem Journal on the following dates:

09/28/2011

and that the said newspaper in which such notice, paper document, or legal advertisement was published was, at the time of each and every such publication, a newspaper meeting all the requirements and qualifications of Section 1-597 of the General Statutes of North Carolina and was a qualified newspaper within the meaning of Section 1-597 of the General Statutes of North Carolina.

This 28th day of September, 2011

(Signature of person making affidavit)

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 28th day of September, 2011

My Commission expires

Sept. 28, 2015

KIMALEY JOHNSON
NOTARY PUBLIC
FORSYTH COUNTY
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES 9-28-2015

THIS IS NOT A BILL. PLEASE PAY FROM INVOICE. THANK YOU